

Moderate Potential

Low Potential

OPPORTUNITY DESCRIPTION: Opportunity to setup DCPD Resins for Inks manufacturing plant in KSA to cater regional and global demand



INVESTMENT OVERVIEW

VALUE PROPOSITION

- KSA is one of the largest chemical producers in the world and contributes ~10% to the global output
- KSA is strategically located at the crossroads of several markets that have high demand for chemical products
- KSA benefits from having an abundant access to raw materials and a high standard of infrastructure that is continuously being improved upon
- Opportunity for first mover advantage due to non-existent local production of Propionic Acid and lack of competition from major global manufacturers
- This opportunity has a strategic alignment with vision 2030 and National Industrial Strategy by supporting many sectors such as automotive and food and beverage

KEY DEMAND DRIVERS

- DCPD is presently used for manufacturing UPRs in the Kingdom. However, it will be used for manufacturing EPDM and ethylidiene norbonenes in the future in the region. UPRs find application in construction and automotive industry. Automotive cluster in Plaschem can be targeted for downstream synergy. Also, big construction projects in Al Jubail can be targeted.
- DCPD application includes: Automotive, adhesives and sealants, packaging, inks, construction, health and well being, electronics

MARKET OVERVIEW

GLOBAL TRENDS

- Demand in Middle East is around 5000-6000 metric tons, mainly for the UPRs produced. Minor consumption is in EPDM is also expected in future.
- Overall global growth in DCPD consumption will be 3.2% per year during 2018–23. Consumption for unsaturated polyester resins and hydrocarbon resins are expected to be higher. Hydrocarbon resins are widely consumed in hot-melt adhesives used for diapers (and other nonwovens), packaging, and woodworking.
- DCPD market is influenced by the following: (1) the shift of global production centers to China and Other Asia; (2) the effect of the changing feedstocks for ethylene production, especially in the United States; (3) changing trade flows (especially shipments from China and Taiwan to North America and Europe); and (4) the dramatic Asian growth for hydrocarbon resins.





DEFINITIONS

| # | SCORECARD SECTION | DEFINITIONS |
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| 1 | Market size | Size of market in value/volume in KSA and/or Region (MENA/GCC) covering future projections based on available estimates from published /government sources |
| 2 | Demand drivers | A select number of factors that will influence future demand for the related product/service |
| 3 | Investment highlights | An overview of key financial metrics summarizing the investment opportunity along with the expected return based on the suggested investment size |
| 4 | Value proposition | Summary of key differentiators that position KSA as a strategic choice over other regional/global peers |
| 5 | Market readiness | An overview of KSA market structure, market maturity and level of participation by local and global players |
| 6 | Competitor analysis | List of the local & international players manufacturing the underlying product in Saudi Arabia and their market share |
| 7 | Global trends | Latest business developments within the sector/product category |
| 8 | Scalability and localization | Ease of scaling the business across the value chain or into new adjacent products or geographies that would maximize the opportunity's investment returns and the ability and potential to locally manufacture the product and its components |
| 9 | Import dependency | An overview of the countries from which Saudi Arabia is importing the product and their value/volume and share in total imports |
| 10 | Value chain analysis | The process or activities that would potentially need to be carried out to deliver the underlying product or service |
| 11 | Key stakeholders | Government institutions, organizations, and/or authorities that participate or influence the market for the underlying product/service |
| 12 | Enablers | Factors that enable investment in the underlying opportunity |
| 13 | Cost of doing business in KSA | Key factors that position KSA as a competitive destination for investment in the region |



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